

## FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20462

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August 29, 2002

John M. Robinson, Treasurer Senate Victory Fund PAC (FKA Cochran Committee) P.O. Box 7274 Tupelo, MS 38802

Identification Number:

C00202861

Reference:

Mid-Year (1/1/01-6/30/01), Year End (7/1/01-12/31/01) and April

Quarterly (1/1/02-3/31/02) Reports

Dear Mr. Robinson:

On August 7, 2002 you were notified that a review of the above-referenced report(s) raised questions as to specific contributions and/or expenditures, and the reporting of certain information required by the Federal Election Campaign Act.

Please be advised that if a committee files an amendment to a report that was filed electronically, it shall also submit the amendment in an electronic format. 11 CFR §104.18(f) Your paper filing dated August 26, 2002 will not be considered an amended report. To amend your report, you must submit it in an electronic format.

An adequate response must be received at the Commission by September 18, 2002. Adequate responses received on or before this date will be taken into consideration in determining whether audit action will be initiated. Requests for extensions of time in which to respond will not be considered. Faiture to provide an adequate response by this date may result in an audit of the committee. Faiture to comply with the provisions of the Act may also result in an enforcement action against the committee. Any response submitted by your committee will be placed on the public record and will be considered by the Commission prior to taking enforcement action.

If you should have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Antoinette Kitchen on our toll-free number (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 1, then press 2 to

reach the Reports Analysis Division) or our local number (202) 694-1130.

Sincerely,

John D. Gibson
Assistant Staff Director

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Enclosure



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Reference:

Mid-Year Report (1/1/01-6/30/01, Year End Report (7/1/01-12/31/01)

and April Quarterly Report (1/1/02-3/31/02)

Dear Mr. Robinson:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report(s) referenced above. The review raised questions concerning certain information contained in the report(s). An itemization follows:

-Your report discloses limited payments for administrative expenses. Administrative expenses are payments made for the purpose of operating a political committee including, but not limited to, rent, utilities, salaries, telephone service, office equipment and supplies. Any such payments to a person aggregating in excess of \$200 in a calendar year must be disclosed on Schedule(s) B supporting Line 21(b) of the Detailed Summary Page. 2 U.S.C. §434(b)(5) If these expenses are being paid by a connected organization, your Statement of Organization must be amended to reflect this relationship. 2 U.S.C. §433(b)(2) In addition, if expenses have been incurred but not paid in a reporting period, the activity should be disclosed as a debt on Schedule D, if the obligation is \$500 or more, or outstanding for sixty days or more. 11 CFR §104.11

Any goods or services provided to your committee by a person, except volunteer activity (i.e., a person's time), would be considered an in-kind contribution from that person, and would be subject to the disclosure requirements of 2 U.S.C. §434(b)(3) and 11 CFR §104.13, and the limitations and prohibitions of 2 U.S.C. §§441a and 441b.

Clarification regarding administrative expenses should be disclosed <u>during</u> each two year election cycle beginning with the first report filed in the non-election year. Please note, a purpose of disbursement described as "Professional/Administrative" does not adequately satisfy this requirement. If these services have been provided by volunteers, please confirm this in writing.

A response or an amendment to your original report(s) correcting the above problem(s) should be filed with the Federal Election Commission within fifteen (15) days of the date of this letter. Electronic filers must file amendments (to include statements, designation and reports) in an electronic format and must submit an amended report in its entirety, rather than just those portions of the report that are being amended. If you need assistance, please feel free to contact me on our toll-free number, (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 1, then press 2 to reach the Reports Analysis Division). My local number is (202) 694-1130.

Sincerely,

Antoinette Kitchen Senior Reports Analyst

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